

Arlene Nehls, 75

Arlene Nehls, 75, Zimmerman, Minn., formerly of Groton, died Sunday, Oct. 31, 1999 at Princeton Emil Home, Princeton, Minn.

Her funeral will be 11 a.m., Thursday, Nov. 4, 1999 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton, with the Rev. Craig Grams officiating. Burial will be in St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery, Ferney, with Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton, in charge of arrangements. Visitation will be at the funeral chapel, 10:30 a.m. - 9 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 3, and one hour prior to the service on Thursday.



Arlene Kappes was born October 1, 1924 to Vincent and Pearl (French) Kappes, Eden Township, Fayette Co., Iowa. She attended rural school through the 8th grade.

She married Ralph Nehls, February 2, 1942 in New Castle, Wyo. They lived in California and Oregon after their marriage. Following World War II, they moved to the Groton area. Arlene worked for many years in the housekeeping department at Colonial Manor. Ralph died June 14, 1987. Arlene moved to Zimmerman, Minn., in 1989 to live with her son, Gary and his family. She entered into the Emil Home, Princeton, 10 days before her death.

She enjoyed fishing and playing cards, and very much enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She was a longtime member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton, as well as the Groton American Legion.

She is survived by her two sons, Gary (Jeannette) Nehls, Zimmerman, Minn., and John (Sharon) Nehls, Box Elder, SD; eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Grandchildren are Chad Nehls and friend, Lisa; Sara Nehls and son, Austin; Mary Nehls and son, Tyler; Dana Nehls; Terri Nehls; Samantha Houtman and niece, Sharon; James Houtman; Edward (Tachina) Houtman and daughter, Megan.

She was preceded in death by her husband and her parents.

Casketbearers will be Chad Nehls, Dana Nehls, Eddy Nehls, Mike Nehls, Barry Bawek and Don Bawek. Honorary casketbearers will be her granddaughters, Sara and Mary Nehls.

Audrey Marske is organist and Cindy Haskell will be soloist. Merle Hanson and Ben Schaller will be ushers.